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H.R. No. 2616

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, For three decades, Ramon A. Castro of Del Rio has  
2 dedicated himself to assisting those in need through his work with  
3 the Emergency Medical Services Department of the Val Verde Regional  
4 Medical Center; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Castro began his career as an emergency medical  
6 technician in 1982 after he had served as a volunteer firefighter  
7 for the City of Del Rio for the previous five years; through  
8 rigorous training and hard work, he distinguished himself as a  
9 valuable member of the department; one of the highlights of his  
10 tenure took place in 1986, when he received a commendation from the  
11 EMS director for his lifesaving efforts while caring for a trauma  
12 patient; and

13           WHEREAS, For the past three years, Mr. Castro has worked as a  
14 field training officer for new employees and certified EMTs looking  
15 to advance their knowledge, and he began teaching paramedic courses  
16 at the Val Verde Regional Medical Center EMS Academy in September  
17 2010; and

18           WHEREAS, This experienced medical technician was appointed  
19 to the position of EMS director in February 2011; in that capacity,  
20 he oversees the daily operations of the department, supervising a  
21 staff of 27 personnel; and

22           WHEREAS, A dedicated member of the community, Mr. Castro  
23 gives of his time and talents to assist the United Way, the American  
24 Cancer Society Relay for Life, and the Adopt-A-Highway program; in

1 addition, he happily attends career days at local elementary  
2 schools to extol the virtues of working as an emergency responder  
3 and also volunteers at community health fair events; and

4 WHEREAS, In all of his endeavors, he enjoys the love and  
5 support of his wife of 26 years, Rose Coronado Castro, and his  
6 daughter, Amanda, both of whom are involved with the regional  
7 medical center; Mrs. Castro works as patient liaison for the  
8 admitting department, and the couple's daughter is a volunteer for  
9 the Ladies Auxiliary/Blue Angels; and

10 WHEREAS, Ramon Castro has devoted his career to saving lives  
11 and ensuring that emergency medical care is available to his fellow  
12 citizens, and his contributions have earned the profound gratitude  
13 of his neighbors and the lasting respect of his colleagues; now,  
14 therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas  
16 Legislature hereby congratulate Ramon A. Castro on his three  
17 decades of exemplary service to the Emergency Medical Services  
18 Department of the Val Verde Regional Medical Center and extend to  
19 him sincere best wishes for continued success in his important  
20 work; and, be it further

21 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
22 prepared for Mr. Castro as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
23 House of Representatives.